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In re Application of Ashkenazi et al. Serial No.: 08/918,874 Filed: August 26, 1997 For: RTD Receptor	Group Art Unit: 1646 Examiner: J. Ulm CERTIFICATE OF MAILING I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on September 10, 1998 <i>Diane L. Marschang</i> Diane L. Marschang
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 10, 1998. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the remarks herein and entry of the following amendments to the claims.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-6, 11-13, and 20-27 without prejudice.

7. (Amended) A chimeric molecule comprising [the RTD polypeptide of claim 1 or the extracellular domain sequence of claim 5] (a) a RTD polypeptide having at least about 80% amino acid sequence identity with native sequence RTD polypeptide comprising amino acid residues 1 to 386 of Fig. 1A (SEQ ID NO:1) or (b) an extracellular domain sequence of RTD polypeptide fused to a heterologous amino acid sequence.